



CALTRANS COMMUTER ALERT

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

NORTHBOUND STATE ROUTE 99 TO STATE ROUTE 65 TRANSITION RAMP CLOSURE SCHEDULED FOR NEXT WEEK

The Department of Transportation (Caltrans) announces the scheduled night time closure of the northbound State Route 99 transition ramp to State Route 65 within the Bakersfield city limits, in Kern County. Closures will be necessary to allow Construction crews to conduct grinding, paving and striping operations as part of a pavement rehabilitation project on the ramp.

The following night time closures are scheduled next week (weather permitting):

Northbound State Route 99, transition ramp to State Route 65, will be closed beginning Sunday night, September 18, 2011 between the hours of 9:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m. and Monday evening, September 19 through Friday morning, September 23, 2011 between the hours of 6:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m. This closure may include the #3 lane (right/slow lane) of State Route 99 if necessary.

A detour will be available utilizing 7th Standard Road, however commuters are encouraged to take an alternate route if possible. Closures may continue for longer periods of time if necessary, due to delays caused by weather or uncontrollable events that may occur during maintenance.

Caltrans and CHP want to remind the public about the “Move Over” law signed by the governor in January of 2010, that requires motorists to slow down and, if safe, move over to a lane not immediately adjacent to a stationary CHP, Emergency or Caltrans vehicle displaying flashing warning lights. To date, 45 other states have enacted similar laws requiring motorists to move over or slow down. Violation of this law is punishable by a fine and citation. So remember...

Move Over, It's the Law!!

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